

Waukesha Co. Exec. Farrow: Names Andrew Thelke new director of Dept. of Administration

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(Waukesha, WI) – Today, Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow announces the appointment of Andrew Thelke as Director of the Waukesha County Department of Administration. Thelke will replace current Director Norman Cummings, who is retiring in June. The Director of Administration serves as the Chief Financial Officer for the County and oversees Budget, Accounting, Business Services, Human Resources, Information Systems, Risk Management, and Purchasing. Pending confirmation of the County Board, Thelke will begin working in his new position on May 1, 2019.

“Andrew Thelke’s government experience and proven track record as a manager made him the standout candidate for the Director of the Department of Administration,” said Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow. “His background leading projects across multiple departments show he has the diverse experience to step into this role and lead the Department for years to come.

Mr. Thelke is a long time resident of Waukesha County and lives in the City of Waukesha with his wife Anne and two daughters. He received his Masters of Public Administration from UW-Milwaukee and began his career working in municipal management and for the State of Wisconsin before joining the County in 1997. He has served in areas of financial and operations management over his 20-year career with the County. For the past seven years Andrew has been the Department of Administration Business Services and Collections Manager.

Current Director of Administration Norman Cummings will retire in June. He served as Waukesha County's Director of Administration since the Department's creation in 1995. He has led many innovative initiatives, including a collaborative effort with the City and School District of Waukesha to establish the Waukesha Employee Health & Wellness Center in 2014.